

ABSTRACT

The call forwarding is provided within and between telephone networks by 5 establishing a generalized procedure for call delivery and call forwarding. Network protocols are addressed using a common framework for processing call delivery and call forwarding among any combination of different types of networks. An “integrated location management” component realizes the generalized procedure. The integrated location management component is a device capable of holding location information 10 for diverse cellular networks, including Internet telephony systems. The inventive system and method executes generalized call delivery and call forwarding for calls among different types of telephone networks, including wireless networks and Internet networks. The calls may originate from any type of telephony network. Having been initially directed to any of these networks, calls can then be call forwarded to any of 15 these networks.